

***TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2010***

***Present:*** Selectmen Rosanne Gilbert, Michael Woodworth and Chairman Wes Moore.  
***Others present included:*** Chief Reed, Lt. Gould, Brian Knipstein, and Sue McKinnon.

***Call to order:*** 5:36pm

Wes Moore made a motion to make Rosanne Gilbert the new Chairman of the Board. Rosanne seconded the motion and the motion passed. Rosanne gracefully accepted her new position as Chairman of the Board.

A discussion took place on increasing the physical size of the Police Department. A committee was formed and includes Selectman Moore, Chief Reed, Lt. Gould, 2 Planning Board members, 1 Budget Advisory Committee member, 3 volunteers from Newfields, and a technical advisor. A notice will be placed in the Exeter Newsletter, on the Town's website, the Town Office, the Post Office, and e-mailed to those residents that asked to be on the Town's e-mail list. Residents need to respond to the Town Office on or before April 19<sup>th</sup> if they wish to volunteer. If more than 3 residents respond, the names will be pulled from a hat to choose the volunteers.

It was decided to have Nancy scan and e-mail any correspondence received to the Selectmen for review. If any correspondence needs discussion, it will be added to the Agenda.

Brian Knipstein and Tom Daly discussed the driveway culvert situation and Tom did not need to meet with the Selectmen.

Karen Gosselin provided her extensive research on why 90% of the town loses power for numerous days. No improvements have been made to the system after a number of developments were constructed in Town. Rosanne will draft a letter to PSNH.

Sue and the Selectmen discussed the upcoming tax deeds of 3 parcels for non-payment of taxes.

Rosanne made a motion to accept the landscaping bid from Quality Hardwood/Custom Mowing. They will be asked to start work immediately. The Selectmen agreed to put the landscaping out to bid again next year.

Comcast will be increasing their prices effective April 24, 2010.

The Selectmen gave permission to Main Street Art to remove the old flagpole at 75 Main Street.

Checks were signed along with a letter to the New Hampshire Retirement System and a Police Officer appointment. An application for a Hawkers' and Peddlers' license was approved.

The requests for Health and Human Service monies were reviewed and the payments to various groups were determined.

Primex complimented Nancy Spencer for her prompt filing of the quarterly wage filing and the quarterly U2 filing.

Correspondence from Cartographic Associates, Primex, Office of Energy and Planning, Rockingham Community Action, NH Department of Revenue, Dragon Mosquito and the State of NH Emergency Management were reviewed.

Nancy was asked to contact the NH Department of Unemployment regarding an ongoing claim.

The complaint about signage on Exeter Road was discussed. The property owner will be asked to move the sandwich board onto his property. The Town does not have control over the cross displayed on the home. Rosanne will contact the resident who made the complaint.

Michael made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 23, 2010 meeting as amended. Rosanne seconded the motion and the motion passed with both in favor. Wes could not vote as he was out of town and did not attend the meeting.

Wes made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm. Rosanne seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Spencer  
Administrative Assistant